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A TEXAS religious paper contains a touching obituary notice of the death of a dear sister of the church, and then follows, without a dash-rule, a notice of the efficacy of Ayer's pills. It reads thus: "We will soon meet her let us grieve no more. Ayer's pills are a general favorite because of their powerful yet gentle operation."

THE man who persistently voted for general Garfield on every ballot at Chicago has been found at last and his name is W. A. M. Grier. He was in Washington city the other day and lunched with the president by special invitation. His friends say he is to be appointed second assistant postmaster general, in place of general Brady, of Star route notoriety.

BACKBONE is wanted for the republican senators who have precipitated and continued the deadlock at Washington. An attempt is being made to supply this deficiency by railroad-ing through such legislatures as are in session, resolutions similar to those that lately passed the Pennsylvania legislature, approving Cameron's position on the Mahone question.

THE Houston Post understands that Mr. John Sealy, president of the Santa Fe railroad, sold in New York one million bonds at 106. It is stated that the sale was effected to a pool of some half dozen and that Jay Gould's name is not on the list. The Post learns further that Gould is negotiating for depot grounds at Galveston and this means a sovereignty from the Santa Fe.

THE political situation of Virginia promises to be lively. The republicans of Alexandria county, in convention assembled have taken a stand against any coalition with Mahone, and have also drafted resolutions requesting the administration to perpetuate republican principles in Virginia, and not compel republicans, in order to secure federal patronage, to surrender their principles to Mahone and the readjusters.

THE clerks in the pension office at Washington are justly indignant over the new appointments made by secretary Kirkwood. Many of the clerks have been engaged in the office for years, and are anxiously awaiting their promotion, but secretary Kirkwood has appointed the new positions paying less than many of the old ones. Consequently the clerks are mingled rage.

THE Texas Press Association, has issued a circular inviting every newspaperman in Texas to attend the press reunion at Houston on the 11th of May. The address will be delivered by Geo. H. Sweet, of Galveston, and an annual essay by P. H. Sherman and annual address by Miss Florence Gerald. It is expected that many presents will be made to the association and to all who attend. The business men and citizens of Houston are proverbially liberal and at the coming press convention nothing will be undone to make the stay of the Texas newspaper men a pleasant one.

"WHEN I first began my political career in Maine," says Mr. Blaine, "I was a candidate for the legislature. It was in the Maine law time when excitement on the temperance question was running high. I had two papers and was editing one. In the heat of the canvass a liquor advertisement was handed into the business office, and appeared in the paper. Of course I knew nothing of it, but the next day that advertisement was playcarded all over the city of Augusta in large type. Over it, in big letters, was the heading, 'Jim Blaine's views on temperance!' I concluded that if I was going into politics I could not be a success and still be an editor, and my first step was to sell out the newspapers and be independent of them."

The Railroad

The wisdom of in not legislating railroads is beginning to be itself apparent in the activity of railroad portion of the Canadian and Central under contract Sullivan - combining a survey Rio Grande, with ability that its construction soon begin. A contract has been obtained for Galveston through counties to Eagle Honore, a Chicago Col. Grant and other ly bought the Texas road and the indication that it will soon be La Grange. A detailed the roads now building templated would lengthy, but we have at hand by which to Had the legislature wisely and passed related to hamper the building for the plan have entirely ceased be borne in mind that comparatively, a that we have but home capital to manufacturing in practically none building railroads say that fully of the capital depended in the railways in this state or in other words states, principally where there is not some time been capital. This investment as offers the elements. Much spent in building find its way into relation in the state business good and iful. The number road will come into and prices for railroadation will by the of trade regulate the

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THE Dallas Herald general Sherman, general Whitelaw Reid are versy about the battle of Gettysburg. Whitelaw Reid correspondent of the C. Gazette when this battle fought, and wrote a graphic description of it to his claiming to have been a witness. In his account battle he says the Union was surprised. General man and general Grant deny this, and assert that was at Cairo, a hundred away, when the battle fought. Reid declares the assertion false and calls upon general Sherman for a retraction. Except upon indubitable evidence to the contrary, it is safest to believe Mr. Reid's statement.

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THE Dallas Herald says that the rapid political changes taking place seemingly in all sections of the country create wonder, and the question naturally arises, what will the colored vote of the south do in the vote of the future? After their long tried devotion to the republican party, and their late practical, almost total exclusion from all political honors by the new administration, will they tamely pocket the rebuff and vote early and often, as of yore for the nominee. If so they certainly need a great deal more extensive experience with free schools than their most implacable enemies would think of prescribing.